

Consent Agenda

Agenda Item #	6F
Meeting Date	July 27, 2015
Prepared By	Captain Rick Bowers Police Department
Approved By	Suzanne R. Ludlow City Manager

Discussion Item	Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Taser Body Cameras and Associate Data Storage as well as Replacement ECDs
Background	<p>The Police Department proposes entering into a contract with Taser International for the purpose of purchasing thirty body cameras to be used by patrol officers. The proposal includes storage for video evidence through the use of Evidence.com and all related licenses. The contract is for a term of five years and includes replacement devices as well as an upgraded Taser ECD for each officer. The current model of ECDs is at the end of its life cycle and will no longer be supported by the company. The bundled purchase of the body cameras, data storage and ECDs is much less expensive than purchasing the items separately.</p> <p>The use of the Taser system for body cameras is consistent with surrounding jurisdictions. The Montgomery County Police Department has recently agreed to use this system.</p> <p>This is a five year contract with annual recurring costs covering the unlimited data plan. The yearly costs are as follows:</p> <p>Year 1 - \$46,690 Year 2 - \$36,540 Year 3 - \$36,540 Year 4 - \$36,540 Year 5 - \$36,540</p> <p>This a sole-source purchase. The items to be used are only made and sold by Taser International. The Department's need for external data management and storage can be met by the use of Evidence.com, which is only sold by Taser International.</p>
Policy	<p>The cost of this package is in excess of \$10,000. Therefore, Council approval of the purchase is required.</p> <p>Funding for the purchase of body cameras and replacement ECDs is available in the FY 2016 budget. Therefore, a single reading ordinance is appropriate.</p>
Fiscal Impact	Year one costs are \$46,690.
Attachments	Proposed ordinance authorizing the contract with Taser International.
Recommendation	Staff recommends approval of the single reading ordinance authorizing the contract with Taser International.

Special Consideration	
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Introduced by:

Single Reading Ordinance

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
ORDINANCE NO. 2015-**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR TASER INTERNATIONAL BODY CAMERA AND
REPLACEMENT ECD CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the Police Department intends to equip each patrol officer with a body camera and data storage system; and

WHEREAS, existing Taser ECD equipment is at the end of its life cycle and support for the equipment will be discontinued; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2016 budget has funds for the purchase of the body cameras and replacement ECDs; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department proposes to enter into a contract with Taser International for thirty body cameras, evidence storage, and replacement ECDs; and

WHEREAS, the systems to be used are only made and sold by Taser International; and

WHEREAS, the systems are consistent with those being used by surrounding jurisdictions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or her designee is authorized to enter into an agreement with Taser International for a five-year contract to provide body cameras, data storage and replacement ECDs.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2015 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: